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In re application of:

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Serial No.: 09/768,665

Filed: January 24, 2001

Invention: System and Method for the
Handling of System Management
Interrupts in a Multiprocessor
Computer System

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 4, 2003

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In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2003, Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's objections and rejections.

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 up to and including December 4, 2003. A fee in the amount of \$110.00 for a one-month extension of time is included. Applicants hereby authorize and instruct the U.S. Patent and Trademark

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